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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN HOWARD BIGHAM, III,

Defendant.

Case:2:23-cr-20038

Judge: Edmunds, Nancy G.

MJ: Stafford, Elizabeth A.

Filed: 01-18-2023 At 01:20 PM

USA V SEALED MATTER (LG)

Violations:

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)

21 U.S.C. § 841(b)(1)(C)

INDICTMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT ONE

**21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C) - Possession with
Intent to Distribute Fentanyl**

1. On or about August 31, 2022, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, John Howard Bigham, III, did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide, also known as Fentanyl, a Schedule II controlled substance; in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C).

COUNT TWO

21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C) - Possession with Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine

2. On or about August 31, 2022, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, John Howard Bigham, III, did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of Methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C).

COUNT THREE

21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C) - Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine

3. From on or about August 15, 2022, through August 31, 2022, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, John Howard Bigham, III, did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute and did distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of Cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS
21 U.S.C. § 853

4. The allegations contained in Counts One, Two, and Three of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeiture pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853 and 28 U.S.C. § 2461.

5. As a result of violating Title 21, United States Code, as set forth in this Indictment, Defendant shall forfeit to the United States: (a) any property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of such violations; and (b) any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit or to facilitate the commission of such violations, pursuant to Title 21 United States Code, Section 853(a), including but not limited to the following:

- a. \$9,013.00 in U.S. Currency;
- b. Taurus Millennium Model G2, 9mm pistol and ammunition;
- c. Smith & Wesson, Model Bodyguard, .380 cal. pistol and ammunition;
- d. Springfield Armory, Model XD, .45 cal. pistol and ammunition;
- e. Smith & Wesson, Model 60, .38 Special cal. pistol and ammunition;
- f. Taurus, .357 cal. revolver and ammunition;
- g. Smith & Wesson, Model SD40, .40 cal. pistol and ammunition;
- h. Rohm, Model RG 10, .22 cal pistol and ammunition; and
- i. Colt, Model Navy, .36 cal. revolver and ammunition

6. Substitute Assets: If any of the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of defendant:

- a. Cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. Has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- c. Has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. Has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. Has been commingled with other property that cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeit substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

THIS IS A TRUE BILL

s/ Grand Jury Foreperson
GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

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This may be a companion case based on LCrR 57.10(b)(4) ¹ :	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	AUSA's Initials: <u>MT</u>

Case Title: USA v. JOHN HOWARD BIGHAM, III

County where offense occurred: Washtenaw ✓

Offense Type: Felony

Indictment

Superseding Case Information

Superseding to Case No: _____ **Judge:** _____

Reason:

Defendant Name

Charges

Prior Complaint (if applicable)

Please take notice that the below listed Assistant United States Attorney is the attorney of record for the above captioned case

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